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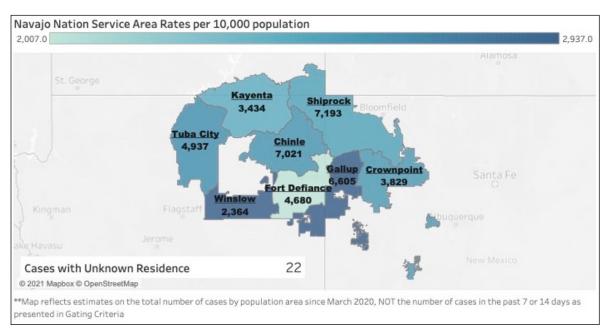
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## 61 new cases, 37,819 recoveries, and no recent deaths related to COVID-19



**WINDOW ROCK, Ariz.** – On Sunday, the Navajo Department of Health, in coordination with the Navajo Epidemiology Center and the Navajo Area Indian Health Service, reported 61 new COVID-19 cases for the Navajo Nation and no recent deaths. The total number of deaths remains 1,551. The report indicates that 37,819 individuals have recovered from COVID-19. 397,846 COVID-19 tests have been administered. The overall total number of positive COVID-19 cases is now 40,085, including five delayed reported cases.

Navajo Nation COVID-19 positive cases by Service Unit:

Chinle Service Unit: 7,021

Crownpoint Service Unit: 3,829Ft. Defiance Service Unit: 4,680

• Gallup Service Unit: 6,605

Kayenta Service Unit: 3,434

Shiprock Service Unit: 7,193

Tuba City Service Unit: 4,937Winslow Service Unit: 2,364

\* 22 residences with COVID-19 positive cases are not specific enough to place them accurately in a Service Unit.

On Sunday, the state of Arizona reported 3,820 new cases. The states of Utah and New Mexico will report weekend case numbers on Monday.

"Our best defense against the Delta and Omicron variants is to get fully vaccinated, and get your booster shot if you're eligible to receive it. The recent holiday led to an increase in cases and we have another holiday approaching. We have to do more and we have to remain diligent. We cannot afford to have another large surge. Our health care system is near crisis status right now, due to the increases in new infections. Please take precautions, get vaccinated, get a booster shot, and limit travel," said Navajo Nation President Jonathan Nez.

Health care facilities across the Navajo Nation continue to administer COVID-19 vaccines. If you would like to receive one of the COVID-19 vaccines, please contact your health care provider and schedule an appointment.

"A big thank you to all of our health care workers who work seven days a week to help our people and save lives. They continue to make tremendous sacrifices. We have to do more to help our frontline workers by being very cautious. Please be safe and keep praying for our people," said Vice President Myron Lizer.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: <a href="http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19">http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19</a>. For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

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